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DEPARTMENT PASS Q. HOGLUND, SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION TRAVELING
EXHIBITION SERVICE AND RICHARD CONROY, SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20560 FROM GOODMAN

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SUBJECT: WISSA WASSIF EXHIBITION

1. REGARDING TELEPHONE CALL JULY 25.

A. IMMEDIATE NEEDS: US DOLLAR INSURANCE FOR AIR FREIGHT
FO \$4,000 COLLATERAL COLLECTION AND EQUIPMENT. ALL WILL
BE SHIPPED VIA "LA MONDIALE" COMPANY CAIRO, TO SITES ADDRESS.
COLLECTION TO BE STORED AND REMAIN SEALED UNTIL MY ARRIVAL
D.C. NO CUSTOMS.

B. CORRESPONDENCE TO WASSEFS. ALL FUTURE AGREEMENTS,
CORRESPONDENCE, ETC., MUST BE ADDRESSED TO MRS. RAMSES
WISSA WASSEF (SOPHIE HABIB GORGI).

C. MINISTRY APPROVAL: MINCULTURE EL SABAIE NOW IN ALEXANDRIA.
NO WORD YET. AKEEL SAMMY ESSO FOLLOWING THIS UP. COPIES
WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU WHEN RECEIVED.

D. AGREEMENT LETTER - RE PARA NO. 3 - INSURANCE VALUE
L.E. 129,119.000 EGYPTIAN POUNDS. FULL DETAILED VALUE
AND DESCRIPTION LETTER WIL FOLLOW SIGNED BY MRS. RAMSES
WISSA WASSEF (SOPHIE HABIB GORGI).

RE PARA NO. 5 - SMALL RINGS WILL HAVE BE SEWN ON EACH
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TAPESTRY IN U.S. TEXTILE MUSEUM.

RE PARA NO. 9 - MRS. RAMSES WISSA WASSEF (SOPHIE HABIB GORGI) AND CERES, WISSA WASSEF'S SISTER IN LAW, WILL WRITE INTRODUCTORY ESSAY, LENGTH AND TYPE SAME AS OF PARIS CATALOGUE.

RE PARA NO. 12 - SIX PERSONS INSTEAD OF FIVE. MR. HEDLUND AGREED WITH SOPHIE HABIB GORGI, NEW INCLUSIONS MS. CERES WISSA WASSEF, SISTER IN LAW, AND SUSANNE WISSA WASSEF, DAUGHTER. OTHERS INCLUDED MRS. RAMSES WISSA WASSEF (SOPHIE HABIB GORGI), YOANNA WISSA WASSEF, DAUGHTER, AND TWO WEAVERS.

2. CORRESPONDENCE: ALL SHOULD BE SENT TO MR. AKEEL SAMMY, ESSO (WITH COPY TO MR. J. CRAIG) TO BE FORWARDED TO PARTIES CONCERNED HERE. MR. AKEEL SAMMY, WITH MR. CRAIG'S HELP, WILL TAKE OVER ADMINISTRATION HERE. HE WILL KNOW WHAT IS LEFT TO BE DONE. (SO WILL CRAIG). MR. SAMMY WILL HAVE COPIES ALL PERTINATE DOCUMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE FROM ME. HE WILL WORK DIRECTLY WITH MRS. RAMSES WISSA WASSEF (SOPHIE

HABIB GORGI) AND PARTIES CONCERNED HERE. YOU MUST SEND EXPLICIT REPEAT EXPLICIT AND DETAILED REPEAT DETAILED INFORMATION TO HIM ON ANY MATTERS YOU WISH TO BE CARRIED OUT HERE.

I WILL TAKE MR. SAMMY AND "LA MONDIALE" COMPANY THROUGH DRY RUN EMBASSY (CRAIG WILL HELP) FOR SHIPPING OF TAPESTRIES. ALSO DRY RUN FOR BOOKING, SIGNING, ETC. FOR AIR TICKETS OF WASSEF GROUP.

3. PHOTOGRAPHS - I WILL PHOTO TAPESTRIES BLACK AND WHITE AND COLOR FOR RECORD SHOTS. BLACK AND WHITE DUPES AND COLOR DUPES SHOULD BE SENT TO MRS. RAMSES WISSA WASSEF (SOPHIE HABIB GORGI) THROUGH MR. SAMMY PRIOR TO HER SHIPPING THE TAPESTRIES. KEEP ALL ORIGINALS IN US.

I WILL POUCH THIS FILM TO YOU AND THE PROCESS SHOTS TO BE DEVELOPED IN THE US.

4. PERSONAL - I HOPE DEPART CAIRO FIRST OR SECOND WEEK AUGUST. WILL CALL YOU COLLECT WHEN FIRST POSSIBLE. AS OF AUGUST ONE YOU SHOULD DEAL DIRECT WITH MR. SAMMY UNCLASSIFIED

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AND MR. CRAIG.

PLEASE CALL MR. J. HERMAN, MY HOME, 483-6474. ASK HIM TO INFORM ALL PARTIES CONCERNED OF MY DEPARTURE EGYPT FIRST WEEK AUGUST. ESPECIALLY CALL MY PARENTS. NO MORE PACKAGES OR LETTERS PLEASE.

5. BUDGET - BEING SENT TO LE CONTE ASAP ALL EXTRA FUNDS

HAVE BEEN SHIFTED FROM III 250 OTHER FILM PROCESSING.
IF MORE FUNDS NEEDED WHERE CAN I SHIFT FROM. FURTHER
FUNDS MAY BE NEEDED FOR SHIPPING, ETC., BUT WILL NOT KNOW
UNTIL NEXT WEEK. MUST KNOW IMMEDIATELY WHERE I CAN SHIFT
IF NECESSARY.
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